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1. Nobody told him to be up here for the talk with [redacted] He would like to know very much what transpired.

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2. Do you know a [redacted] who was Political Advisor to [redacted] up to about two years ago? [redacted] has previously been in touch with the Agency re employment both full-time and incidental. Does the name ring a bell, and can you give [redacted] some dope on him?

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3. PLEASE PASS THIS WORD TO DCI. [redacted] IS TRYING TO PASS IT TO MR. DULLES TOO.

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As you are probably aware, DCI propositioned Admiral Kirk sometime ago about taking Dr. Allen's place, when, as and if. The Admiral told [redacted] about it three weeks ago and said that about a week before that DCI had pinned him down to a definite answer. Apparently this has been agreed on between DCI and the Admiral as an event which will come about in the mid-fall -- Sept. or Oct. Scotty Reston called Admiral Kirk Monday night and said "Is it true that the President has asked ~~me~~ you to take that job?" Admiral Kirk truthfully replied "No". Then Reston said "Did the Director of CIA ask you to take it?" and the Admiral said "Yes but hoped Reston would not publish that fact." Reston grumblingly agreed, but stated he was afraid he would be scooped on the story. Whereupon Kirk told him to take it up with DCI and Mr. Dulles.

COMMENT:

A leak of this info in the next two weeks would be violently harmful to [redacted] activity in Europe which is coming to a head and with respect to which it looks as though we can cash in on two years' hard work. The emigration would regard it as breach of faith. Someone must tell DCI and DDCI in case Reston calls them.

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